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RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed on August 14, 2006, in connection with the above-identified patent application.

The shortened statutory period for reply expired on November 14, 2006. Applicants respectfully request an extension for additional time period as set forth below.

Besides the one-month extension fee discussed below, it is believed that no other fee is required in filing this Response. However, if any fee is required, please charge the appropriate fee to the Kagan Binder Deposit Account No. 50-1775 and notify us of the same.

Request for One-Month Extension of Time

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.136, Applicants hereby request a one-month extension of time to reply to the Office action, said period of reply being extended from November 14, 2006 to December 14, 2006. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$120.00 for the one-month extension of time fee. If any additional extension period is required in order for this paper to be timely filed, then Applicants hereby request an extension for such additional time period and authorize the appropriate fee to be charged to the Kagan Binder Deposit Account No. 50-1775 and notify us of the same.